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Presented for filing is a new continuation-in-part patent application of:

Applicant: ALFONSO DE JESUS VALDES AND KEITH SKINNER

Title: PROBABILISTIC ALERT CORRELATION

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- ✓ Assignment cover sheet and an assignment, 4 pages, and a separate \$40 fee.
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This application is a continuation-in-part (and claims the benefit of priority under 35 USC 120) of U.S. application serial no. 09/711,323, filed November 9, 2000, and entitled, "Sensor and Alert Correlation in Intrusion Detection Systems," which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. patent application serial number 09/653,066, filed

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September 1, 2000, and entitled, "Methods for Detecting and Diagnosing Abnormalities Using Real-Time Bayes Networks." This application also claims priority under 35 USC §119(e) from co-pending Provisional patent application number 60/287,514, filed March 23, 2001, naming Alfonso de Jesus Valdes and Keith M. Skinner as inventors and entitled, "Probabilistic Alert Correlation." The disclosures of the prior applications are considered part of (and are incorporated by reference in) the disclosure of this application.

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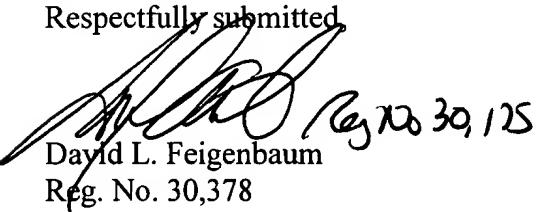
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